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Announcements

The FHC will be closed next Thursday evening. The FHC will also be closed every Thursday morning during July & August. We remind you that if no patrons are booked, the volunteer on duty may go home and if you phone in later, we will not be here to answer your call. Our apologies if that happens to you. The Toronto FHC is always closed for holiday weekends.

The List of All Resources available at the FHC has been updated with the new acquisitions of the previous three months. We have more than 14,000 items in our library, including films, fiche, CDs and books. To download the report, please click on "*List of All Resources*" or "*List of All Resources 2011 07 06*" on the Resources page of our website: <http://torontofhc.blogspot.com/>. You will also find a numerical list of all the films that we currently have.

Finding Ontario Ancestors Workshop – Saturday, August 6th

OGS Toronto is sponsoring a full day summer workshop which will explore the richness of Ontario records. Cost for non-members registering before July 15th is \$30. Go to http://www.torontofamilyhistory.org/Finding_Ontario_Ancestors_2011.html for complete details and information about each session.

What's New

It seems to be a slow week for new records, perhaps because it is summer – your trusty editor has slowed down too.

Ancestry added only one significant indexed database this week – San Francisco Funeral Home records from 1895 to 1985. The researcher with a question involving a person in Texas should take heart that perhaps Texas funeral home records will be added soon.

FamilySearch added 400,000 browsable images for Quebec notarial records 1800-1900 and updated their 1930 US census data.

DeceasedOnline added 117,000 burial/cremation records for Kettering, Northamptonshire – the Rothwell Road Cemetery, the London Road cemetery and the Kettering Crematorium on Rothwell Road. The bulk of the records are from the crematorium.

The Forum

Questions: No new questions.

Suggestions:

Q1/25/2011. Western Australia.

My paternal grandfather and his brother took part in the Western Australia gold rush, in the Coolgardie area in the late 1890s and into the 1900s. They were more successful as printers (the family's traditional trade) than in finding much gold. My grandfather had some connection to photography, as we have inherited a number of fascinating photographs of Coolgardie. While a few are group photographs in which they appear, many show the buildings and people of the town - including the "Afghans" and the camels they used. It seems to me that these images would be of interest to someone having a wider interest in the history of that time and place, and wonder if anyone can suggest people or groups who may be interested.

Elayne Lockhart wrote to the Bulletin: "I too had a great uncle who worked in the Goldfields from the late 1880's or so until his death by falling down a mine shaft in 1942 (he was obviously still looking). I learned more about him through the

Western Australian Goldfields Association. I had been inquiring about a magazine article he had mentioned in a letter to his sister, and the magazine and article with some photos of him was located. I would think that they would be very interested in these photos. On-line, there is a Goldfield's Museum in Coolgardie." That website is <http://www.museum.wa.gov.au/museums/kalgoorlie-boulder/#kalgoorlie-boulder/getting-here> .

Further searching found that the National Library of Australia is actively acquiring photographs for its *Picture Australia* collection. You can upload your photos via Flickr and these photos will be added in a couple of weeks to both *Picture Australia* (<http://www.pictureaustralia.org/>) and *Trove* (<http://trove.nla.gov.au/>). *Picture Australia* accepts both contemporary images and digital scans of historic family photographs to capture Australia past and present. For instructions on how to contribute, go to www.pictureaustralia.org/contribute/individual.html .

Trove has a large collection of digital newspapers, books, pictures, music, archived websites, etc. The free digitised newspapers are a great resource for anyone with an interest in Australia. PDF copies of many others can be downloaded. I do not know of anything similar for Canada, the US and Britain. Does anyone know of such resources for another country?

Were You Aware ...

Lincolnshire Parish Registers Online

The Norfolk Rootsweb mailing list had a posting this week for Lincolnshire. The website – *Lincs to the Past* – has put parish registers online. Before rushing off to do a search at <http://www.lincstothepast.com/home/> , read their article on how to search parish registers at <http://www.lincstothepast.com/help/how-to-search-for-parish-registers/361.article> because the search is far from being intuitive. There are also records for nearly 2,000 convicts who were transported between 1788 and 1868. Click on the CONVICTS button on the home page to search.

Films received in the 7 days ending 07 July 2011 and due for return 04 Aug 2011.

	Film Content	Film No
FILM	AUT GAI RC Church Res for 5 Parishes	2395106
FICHE	ENG NTH Oundle PRs 1625-1733	6128454
FICHE	ENG NTH Oundle PRs 1733-1749	6128455
FICHE	ENG NTH Oundle PRs 1749-1812	6128456
FICHE	ENG NTH Oundle PRs Bapt 1813-1838	6128457
FICHE	ENG NTH Oundle PRs Burials 1813-1844	6128474
FICHE	ENG NTH Oundle PRs Marr 1755-1780	6128462
FICHE	ENG NTH Oundle PRs Marr 1780-1808	6128463
FICHE	ENG NTH Oundle PRs Marr 1808-1812	6128464
FICHE	ENG NTH Oundle PRs Marr 1813-1837	6128465

A patron wishing to view a film ordered by another should check first with staff. The ordering patron will always have priority. The description of the film given above may not be a full description but a search in the Family History Library Catalog will reveal the full content. The geographical abbreviations are Chapman codes.

Toronto Family History Centre Current Opening Hours.

(Always phone us if you do not have a booking to ensure that we are open.)

Monday 9.30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tuesday 9.30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Thursday 6.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

Friday 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon

Saturday 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.

Closures: The FHC will be closed the Civic Holiday weekend – July 30th to August 1st. Closed Thursday mornings in July and August. If you do not have a booking, call before you come. Closed on Thursday, July 14th.

For a copy of a searchable listing of all the films, fiche, CDs and books held at the Toronto Family History Centre in pdf format, go to the Toronto FHC Website at <http://torontofhc.blogspot.com/> and look for it under Resources.

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